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1. Prior to June 1954, all deck and engineering officers of the Soviet merchant fleet, in addition to their respective appointments aboard their ships, held ranks corresponding to those of the Soviet Navy but without military significance. The rank of junior lieutenant was conferred immediately on graduates of navigation and engineer schools. Ranks included junior lieutenant, lieutenant, senior lieutenant, captain third, second, and first class, and some higher ranks. The naval rank of lieutenant commander was omitted. 25X1
2. Informant said that merchant marine officers wore the following sleeve stripes: junior lieutenant, one gold stripe 20 mm. broad, with a lozenge above; lieutenant, one stripe 20 mm. broad, with a second stripe ten mm. broad above; senior lieutenant, two stripes each 20 mm. broad; captain third class, three 20 mm. stripes; captain second class, four 20 mm. stripes; and captain first class, one 40 mm. stripe, with lozenge stripe 20 mm. broad above.

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